

<b>PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)</b> <b>FY 2008</b> <i>(Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H. R. 4818).)</i>		Docket Number (Optional) M0025.0339/P339	
Application Number      10/550,183-Conf. #5251		Filed      June 6, 2006	
For    SPECTROSCOPY APPARATUS AND ASSOCIATED TECHNIQUE			
Art Unit      2884		Examiner      M. H. Taningco	

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

The requested extension and fee are as follows (check time period desired and enter the appropriate fee below):

	<u>Fee</u>	<u>Small Entity Fee</u>	
<input type="checkbox"/> One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))	\$120	\$60	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))	\$460	\$230	\$ _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))	\$1050	\$525	\$ 525.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))	\$1640	\$820	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))	\$2230	\$1115	\$ _____

☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

☐ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.

☒ Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

☐ The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.

☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 04-1073. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

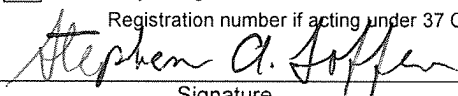
**WARNING:** Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.

I am the ☐ applicant/inventor.

☐ assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71.  
Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).

☒ attorney or agent of record. Registration Number 31,063

☐ attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34.  
Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34 \_\_\_\_\_

  
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 Signature

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 Date

Stephen A. Soffen  
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 Typed or printed name

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 Telephone Number

NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below.

☐ Total of 1 forms are submitted.